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## BARROWS PREDICTS "AT LEAST \$65" TAX RATE

Revising the figures which the Finance Committee had given to the town in its printed report of a week ago, Herbert C. Barrows, veteran Chairman of the Finance Committee told the Baldwin Civic Association Inc. on Tuesday evening that the tax rate this year would be 'at least \$65'.

The figures as presented by the Finance Committee report would have given the town a \$64.70 tax rate, based on an estimated valuation of \$16 millions.

A letter from the Director of Accounts, Herman C. Dine, was responsible for the change Barrows stated. Dine is one of the officials of the State Department of Corporations and Taxation, which must approve of all figures used in calculating tax rates throughout the Commonwealth.

Barrows stated that the Town had submitted a figure of \$38,000 for 'available funds' to be used in the Town Meeting which starts Saturday afternoon in the High School gym.

Dine approved only \$31,854.17 of this figure, a cut of \$6,245, which will increase the tax rate 30 cents.

The figures, Barrows stated were only if the Town should not exceed any of the appropriations as recommended by the Finance Committee.

### KIDDER DEFEATS BLISS FOR SELECTMEN'S POST

Donald C. Kidder of Woburn St scored an upset, in the Town Election Saturday, ousting E. Hayward Bliss, Selectman of the past three years.

Kidder, 38 years old, sales manager for a Boston office furniture company, has been a resident of Wilmington for about four years. He led the race for Selectman by getting a total of 981 votes.

Charles H. Black, veteran Selectman and town official was second, with 922 votes. He was re-elected.

Other tallies in the Selectmen's race gave E. Hayward Bliss 778 votes, Paul G. God-

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### SWEARING IN THE NEW OFFICIALS

MRS MARY GILLIGAN, TOWN CLERK OF WILMINGTON, SWEARING IN THE NEW OFFICERS OF WILMINGTON, JUST AFTER THEIR ELECTION LAST SATURDAY. ERNIE CRISPO, OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE HAS HIS EYES ON MODERATOR SIMON CUTTER AND SEEMS TO BE ENJOYING A PRIVATE JOKE.

L TO R. MRS. GILLIGAN, SELECTMAN DON KIDDER, ERNIE CRISPO AND JOHN HARTNETT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, KENNETH NEAGLE OF THE WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY, ATTY SIMON CUTTER, MODERATOR, AND SELECTMAN CHARLES BLACK.

### HOUSING AUTHORITY HEARS ALTERNATE PLANS FOR URBAN RENEWAL

Two suggested plans, prepared by Goodman and Braun, Planning Consultants, were presented to the Wilmington Housing Authority, in a meeting Tuesday evening.

Plan One, as suggested, would include that portion of Wilmington Square which lies between Church Street and Middlesex Avenue, and Main Street and Adelaide Road, but eliminating Rotary Park, the Fire House, the Telephone Building, the Drug Store Block, the Shoe-

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### MANY CHAMPIONSHIPS AT STAKE THIS WEEKEND FOR WILMINGTON SKATERS

Jeanne Ashworth, North American Senior Women's Champion on both indoor and outdoor rinks will be defending her titles this weekend, at Champlain, Illinois, and at the same time will be seeking new titles and laurels. She is taking part in the North American Indoor Speed Skating Championships, Saturday and Sunday.

While Jeanne is gathering new laurels, about thirty other members of her club will be taking part in two local contests - the New England Indoor Speed Skating Championships, in Worcester Saturday, and the North Shore Indoor Speed Skating Championships Sunday.

Leading the Wilmington delegations for the New England and North Shore events will be such skaters as Clyde McKaba, in the Boys Junior Division, Celia Spear, Girls Junior Division, Richard Frotton, Lenny Galvin, terrific Special Mid-get, and the O'Connell twins, Pee Wee skaters.

The Hersom Clan is expected

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### CONCRETE ROOFS PLANNED FOR GLEN ROAD SCHOOL

The School Building Committee for the new school off Glen Road is taking advantage of all the latest changes in state requirements for schools. These changes will enable the town to get a good school for less money than was expected, even though school building costs have increased about 20% during the past two years. This was the essence of the message from the School Building Committee to about 100 interested citizens, Monday night in the Herbert C. Barrows Auditorium.

Among those present were all nine members of the Finance Committee.

The walls of the new building are to be of cement blocks, with a four inch brick veneer on exterior walls and interior walls will have a structural tile finish.

The roof will be of concrete, re-inforced. The latest regulations requiring eight foot headroom, instead of 10 as formerly have led the architect, Donaldson 'Don' Ray MacMullin to design a building in which

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### SELECTMEN OPEN MEETINGS TO PUBLIC

The meetings of the Board of Selectmen are again to be open to the public.

At their first meeting after the election, held Monday evening in the Town Hall, Selectman Nicholas De Felice moved that the motion of April 30, 1956 be reconsidered, the motion which excluded the press from their meetings. His motion was seconded by Frank Haggerty, and voted affirmatively by all except the Chairman, Mrs. Wavie Drew.

De Felice then moved that the meetings be open to the public except during discussion of a disciplinary or personal nature involving town employees; during discussion with citizens, the publication of which might cause unnecessary embarrassment or harm, and during discussions involving potential new business.

Also reserved was the right of the Selectmen to call an executive meeting for any other time that they may designate, or by any rules subsequently adopted.

### WILLIAM F. SMITH NAMED HOUSING CHAIRMAN

William F. (Agreeable) Smith, of 10 West Street was elected Chairman of the Wilmington Housing Authority, in a meeting held on March 5th.

Named Vice Chairman was Alan Fenton. Kenneth Neagle was named Clerk, Ernest B. Rice Treasurer, and John Bell Asst. Treasurer.

### NO AXE TO GRIND by

#### 'UNDER THE APPLE TREE'

With an unprecedented vote for a newcomer to the town, Don Kidder of Woburn St, last Saturday became Wilmington's newest member on the Board of Selectmen. Kidder's campaign was such as has never before been seen in a town election. Combining brilliant press releases with perfectly delivered campaign speeches, an exhausting house to house introductory schedule and such last minute things as a sound truck and liberally and strategically placed posters, Kidder swept into office with a scant margin of 50 odd votes over Charles Black. This fact in itself is per-

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## A REAL HOT MEETING

In our New England way of life we like to make a lot of noise about the way we practice democracy. We tell the peoples of other nations that we exercise our rights as citizens of a free country. Sometimes we are quite bombastic about it, too.

No one in Wilmington has a right to crow about our exercising our democratic rights at the annual election of last Saturday. Less than 50% of the registered voters appeared, and the results certainly prove nothing, just because of this. The people just didn't care - they weren't excited - they didn't give a hoot - and besides the TV program was more interesting.

Our Annual Town Meeting, starting at 1:30 pm on next Saturday is going to see even a smaller proportion of voters present. The issues will be decided by about one fifth of the voters, in Town Meeting Assembled.

This in spite of the fact that it may well prove to be one of the most exciting town meetings in years.

There is the Assessor question. Some members of the Tax Payers Association want the town to elect its assessors, instead of having the Town Manager appoint them. Other people think just as strongly in favor of retaining the present method. The arguments are bound to be hot and heavy. But four out of five voters will not be present to listen, and vote.

There is the New School. Until last Monday night it was our prediction that the committee charged with this responsibility was going to have some heavy sledding, but perhaps that is now changed. Four out of five voters will not be present, to hear, to discuss, to vote, this new and vital issue.

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There is the Police Salary question, which, we are told is going to be argued again this year. Chief of Police Paul Lynch always presents a lot of excitement during such arguments. A lot of people won't hear the Chief though - that is, if there is an argument, for they will be home listening to the TV.

And there is the School Question. We are told that the Finance Committee and the School Committee were practically purring like kittens in their joint meeting this year, after a lot of preliminary huffing and puffing. What will happen at the Town Meeting? More purring---or will the claws be exposed this time?

Again we say, four out of five citizens will not be interested - but we wager that they will if the opportunity ever presents itself, tell the peoples of Europe, and Asia, and Africa, about how we run our model democracy.

## AN EXCELLENT TOWN REPORT

The Town Report of the Town of Wilmington for 1956 does not list Births Marriages and Deaths. Neither did 1955, nor 1954, nor the reports for some years previously.

This to us is pussyfooting. Births Marriages and Deaths are the Vital Statistics of a town. For nearly one hundred years our Town Report carried this information.

Today it is not carried. The excuse from one source at least is that too many pages of copy would have to be used. This excuse has never impressed us as we have watched town employees use superfluous words and paragraphs to compliment each other at the public expense, and watched our town report grow in size and scope but not meaning.

Our gripe about Vital Statistics is the only one we have about the 1956 Town Report. Once again printed in two volumes, it is a tight bit of editorial work, composition and photography,

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## TOWN NOTES

### Weather

These are the days when the sun rises nearly in the east, and sunshine lasts for eleven and one half hours each day.

Not only is the sun coming North rapidly, but what is more important, its rays strike the ground from a higher angle, a presage of the warmer weather to come.

Last Tuesday was the warmest on record for over 70 years according to the Boston papers. The thermometer climbed to 71 degrees in Wilmington. Then, of course, the next day was oh so cold, followed by six inches of snow.

### The Way To Relax

We heard something the other day that we wish we had seen. It happened at the Lake Placid Speed Skating Nationals two weekends ago.

Lennie Galvin, one of Wilmington's top speed demons, got off to a slow start in one of his races, but by the time he reached the first turn he was going full steam. After the second turn he had passed two skaters, and was leading the pack.

Then Lennie must have relaxed a little. With 3000 pairs of eyes staring at him from the pavilions of Olympic Stadium, Lennie puffed out his cheeks, blew, and produced a sizeable bubble from his wad of gum.

### Gamemanship

Speaking of skating, and particularly of the Lake Placid Nationals, we learned from one lady just how tough the competition was at this event.

It was apropos of one of the starting rules, which states that if any skater falls within fifteen feet of the starting line, all of the skaters have to come back and start again. We imagine that this is to avoid unlucky breaks that inevitably arise when everyone is fighting for first position.

What we learned from this lady was startling. Some of the clubs, especially in New York, train their speed skaters to an almost professional degree. They indoctrinate them with every trick in the bag, and the one our lady friend was particularly furious about was the way some of them deliberately fell within the prescribed 15 feet, if they got off to a bad start!

### Jeannie's Pond

Down on Lowell Street, across from the Sunnyhurst Ice Cream place is a small pond, one which the average person would be sure to overlook, as he drove by. There is nothing to distinguish it from any other small pond, except possibly that it was on this pond that Jeanie Ashworth learned to skate - Our Jeanie, now one of the top speed skaters in the

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with the greater part of the superfluous words and paragraphs eliminated.

The 1956 Report of the Town of Wilmington is the best that we have ever seen - and in our day we have inspected reports from many communities.

1. For the first time all the work of the Highway Department is so listed that the reader knows not only what was done, but how it was done and where the money came from.

2. Our School Department report has lost little and gained much in its composition. This years report shows a growing awareness of cost and scholastic criticisms that have existed for some time - possibly not valid, but nevertheless real in the fact that they exist.

3. For the first time in our knowledge, this Town has a complete list of Accepted Streets, together with the date of their acceptance, the work of the newly created Engineering Department, we would hazard. This must have meant a lot of research, but it was worth while.

4. Our Civil Defense report is excellent, brief and to the point and in fact almost a trifle too brief. Modesty prevailed. A picture of Wilmington's Radiological Warfare team was shown, but no mention made that it was the first such team in Massachusetts.

5. In previous years our Board of Appeals has listed the cases it has heard, but never in the fine and thorough manner which was the story this year. Everything, including judgements is recorded in black and white.

6. Our Board of Health (which now seems to be the jumping off place for the Board of Selectmen) has presented their case well, including a clear warning of what the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can do about our Town Dump.

7. An excellent report from the Insurance Advisory Committee not only grasps the realities of the situation clearly, but admits that once their recommendations have been carried out there will be no need for their continued existence - a trait that exists in our New England towns, but very rarely in governmental organizations of larger scope.

We could go on and list many other things in our Town Report which are outstanding - the excellent photography, the care in indexing, and for the first time in years a listing of the terms of office of our officials (with a mistake in the case of the Finance Committee) and a Letter of Transmittal from the Town Manager which is a masterpiece. Several pages are devoted to tell the AVCO story, with pardonable pride. A photograph of our Police Department not only shows the harmony that exists, but depicts excellently the crossed silk stockings of our seven police officers (f).

Wilmington's Town Report for 1956 has set a standard which is going to be difficult for any town to beat.

#### NO ROCK AND ROLL

It may come as a shock to some of our younger generation, but the School Committee, last week voted to ban Rock and Roll from the public schools of Wilmington.

There was a very good reason behind their vote, as has been evidenced in some of our neighboring communities. It seems that certain gangs of youngsters, from outskirt towns of Metropolitan Boston have taken to following their favorite Rock and Roll disc jockies around, and when the outside gang invades another community there often is, and sometimes has been trouble.

In Reading, less than two weeks ago a police officer was assaulted by such a gang. The day following, in Woburn, alert police stopped several cars full of youngsters from Revere and Chelsea, on their way to a Rock and Roll session. The Woburn Police became suspicious when the cars cruised through the center two or three times, and made the youngsters line up leaning with their hands against an adjoining building while they were "frisked" for possible weapons.

Facing the possibility that such a gang might invade Wilmington, following their favorite disc jockey, the Wilmington School Committee was foresighted enough to stamp out the primary cause - Rock and Roll itself. No riots

are wanted in the Wilmington Schools, riots which could cause injuries or damage to property.

Frankly, we wouldn't know Rock and Roll if we did hear it, and neither, we suspect, would James B. Moore of the School Committee. Mr. Moore, a liberal thinker, was the only one who really defended the music (?), arguing that it was not the music which was at fault, but the youngsters, and their parents.

But Mr. Moore voted with the rest of his fellow committeemen when it was pointed out that it was outside gangs who could cause damage to school buildings.

#### LET US NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE BALL

All the fuss and fury that is being heard around this town on various subjects should not allow us to detract our attention from the main issue - which, this year we consider to be the

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#### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PLAN "SCIENCE NIGHT"

'Science Night' an exhibition of projects constructed by High School science students, will be held in the cafeteria on Friday, March 22, from 7:30 to 9:20 pm.

Models, charts, books, etc., all pertaining to atomic energy, astronomy, biology, physics and chemistry will be displayed. Films are also on the agenda. High School science students extend a cordial invitation to everyone.

#### CARD OF THANKS

To The Citizens of Wilmington: For the privilege of continuing to serve you and our Community I am grateful.

Charles H Black

#### CARD OF THANKS

To the citizens who voted for me last Saturday - many thanks To the candidates who won - Best wishes; To my workers - appreciation. To those who stayed away from the polls - please meditate on your American Heritage and try to do better next time.

Sincerely, E. Hayward Bliss

#### CARD OF THANKS

To the Voters of Wilmington: My Heartfelt thanks for your wonderful support in the recent election.

I shall, in the future, as the past always endeavour to help provide for the children of Wilmington the best possible schools for the money, and for the people of Wilmington the best possible representation on their School Committee.

Sincerely,  
Ernest M. Crispo

#### CARD OF THANKS

To The Citizens of Wilmington: A candidate who has no opposition doesn't have any difficulty in being elected, but the vote of confidence given me in the recent election is deeply appreciated, and will not be forgotten.

I trust that my services as Moderator of Wilmington will merit your confidence in me.

Simon Cutter.

#### CARD OF THANKS

To My Friends and Supporters: Your votes, and your assistance, at the polls last Saturday, in helping in my campaign are deeply appreciated. There is no doubt of the sincerity in your belief of the American Way of Life. Thank you, very much, and to my opponents, the best of luck.

Paul Godzyk

#### CARD OF THANKS

To all of my friends in Wilmington who expressed their confidence in me at the recent election and to those who gave so freely of their time in assisting me in my campaign, my sincere thanks.

Sincerely,  
Donald Kidder  
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#### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the many people who voted for me in the past election.

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## TOWN NOTES

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United States, and holder of several North American records. We mention this because we are wondering, in a vague sort of way just what is going to happen to the pond. It is part of the new AVCO site, and last week workmen began to dredge out some of the mud at the bottom of the pond.

Do the plans call for keeping a pond? Are they going to put in sand, and preserve it, or are they going to fill it in? Of course it is of no consequence, but we are wondering.

## Candidates

Elections always stir up a few pictures and excitement, for a person who likes the picturesque. Our election of last week has left a few pictures in our mind.

There was Paul Godzyk, for instance. Paul did an all day long stint outside the polls, letting the people know he was a candidate in a manner that was just a little more exuberant than the other candidates.

During the preceding week Paul had used his truck to good advantage, as was humorously remarked upon by a number of citizens. But it was on election day that Paul was at his best.

Paul wore in his hat, support

ed by the hatband, a hugh (for a hat) sign, proclaiming his name and ambition, and had one more such sign on his coat.

Cheerful and exuberant he looked all the world like a peanut and popcorn salesman at a big league ball game.

Then there was Don Kidder. What happened to him shouldn't happen to any up and coming politician.

One of Wilmington's oldsters who doesn't get around very much approached him, while he was electioneering, to tell Don that he knew Don's folks for many years. He identified the folks - volubly and loudly which was all very good except that it meant that he didn't know Don at all.

Our Old Timer was thinking that Don was of the old Kidder family in Wilmington - and Don has just lived here for a few years.

Politicians don't mind being quoted, or misquoted, but they hate to be identified for some one else, even if (as in this case) it happens to be very fine people. Politicians want to be identified for themselves, and Don is probably no exception.

## Lions Roar

One of the jokes of the town, today, reminds us of the old joke about 'Rotarians own the Town, the Lions run it, and the Moose have all the fun'.

Wilmington's joke is that if you want anything now, you must first join the Lions. Selectmen Nick De Felice and Frank Hagerty are both Lions, and newly elected Don Kidder is one too.

Maybe we'll hear a Lions' Roar, one of these nights, from the Selectmen's chamber.

## Appearances are Deceiving

We know a lady who didn't vote for Don Kidder. It was a last minute impulse.

She told us she walked up to the polls, and saw Don stand-



## DAMAGED STREET

A PORTION OF WOBURN STREET LOOKING TOWARD THE B & M RAILROAD TRACKS FROM THE CORNER OF WEST STREET.

## SELECTMEN BAN TRUCKING ON WOBURN AND WEST STS

Acting under emergency powers the Board of Selectmen on Feb. 27th imposed a ban on heavy trucking, on parts of Woburn and West Streets, after they had learned that repair costs to the street would cost in the neighborhood of \$2000. The ban is presumably good for 30 days.

Big ten wheeled gravel trucks traveling over the roads, and breaking the oiled surface was the cause of the ban. Town Manager Joseph Courtney reported to the board that he had chased one of the trucks in an effort to stop it, that he had not been able to catch up with the truck until it reached Lowell Street, and that the driv-

ing in the High School driveway, soliciting votes. He was immaculate. His fingernails were clean, all the buttons

er had told Courtney to 'Go to ----'.

Residents of the area reported that the streets looked as though they had been hit by an atom bomb, as the heavy trucks drove recklessly over roads softened by the spring thaw.

The vote for the ban was 3 to 1. Selectman De Felice was not present.

At the March 4th meeting of the Selectmen Town manager Joseph Courtney was empowered to authorize licensed operations of sand and gravel trucks on Wilmington highways, under conditions adopted by the Selectmen during the meeting.

The TM was further authorized to waive those conditions, if in his opinion no damage would result to the highways from the operation of gravel trucks

on his overcoat were in place there was a sharp crease on his trousers, and his shoes gleamed with polish.

It was just too much for the lady, so she voted for someone else.

What she didn't know was that Don's overcoat had a hole in one of its sleeves - right at the elbow. Perhaps he should have been like the Gilbert & Sullivan Crown Princess Elect and pointed out his most exquisite elbow (complete with hole) to the lady.

## Fast Customer

The nicest place to eat in Wilmington opened for business Tuesday afternoon, with Fred F. Cain being the favorite customer.

We are referring, of course to the new Parker's, across from Gildart's. Very nicely decorated, and spic and span, the restaurant was crowded all day long. The restaurant fills a long felt need.

The first customer (as you may have guessed) was Fred. He not only was the first, but he was also the first to have two meals in the new restaurant - all in that same day. That's how he liked the meals.

## Dean

A question frequently asked of us is 'What has become of Dean Cushing' - the former Town Manager of Wilmington.

Dean left Wilmington for the City of Gloucester, and later became campaign manager for Sumner Whittier, unsuccessful aspirant for the Governorship of Massachusetts.

Since then Mr. Cushing has been employed as the personnel manager of a large drug store chain in Boston, with a side line avocation of 'Municipal Consultant.'

He spoke in Andover two weeks ago, as an advocate of the Town Manager plan in that town.

## Prizes

The center of attraction for many eyes in Wilmington today is the new Ford, parked in front of Steven's Market, a fine looking car which is to go to some lucky winner on March 30th. Jack pastor, Operator of the supermarket reports that there is a tremendous amount of interest, as shown by the entries he is receiving in the contest.

Drawings are being made every Saturday evening in the market - drawings which attract large crowds of interested people.

Last week's winner was awarded a Chatham Blanket - and, just for the record it was Althea Cabana, of 34 Marie St. Tewksbury.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Belbin, Wilson J and others to Ervyle H Stewart and wife, Kelley Rd.

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Butt, William F to Pasquale Nozzolillo and wife, Oakridge Cir.

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King, Robert W to John H Long, Jr, Short St.

Wozney, Gilbert P and wife to Joseph F Courtney and wife, Unnamed St.

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**AVCO COMES TO TOWN - EMPLOYEE BEFORE EMPLOYER**

Ray Gardner, who is building and now living in his home on 327 Salem St., has come to Wilmington in much the same way as his AVCO employers, except, of course, on a much smaller scale.

When AVCO was in the midst of deciding where to build in the summer of '55, Mr Gardner worked for them at the Everett plant, and lived in Stoneham. He and his wife, Judith, began to look for a place to build, in the early fall of '55, and finally bought their lot in North Wilmington in October of the same year. This was nine months before AVCO definitely planned to come to Wilmington.

Mr Gardner enjoys joking with his friends, about the apparent way in which AVCO followed him to Wilmington. 'AVCO moved with me', he says with a smile, but when questioned seriously, he says that it was only a coincidence. 'We had no idea that AVCO would move to Wilmington', Mr Gardner says, 'although it was pretty certain they were going to move somewhere around here. We were looking for a place to live, and found the perfect lot in Wilmington.'

And evidently AVCO found what they were looking for, too. In this case, what satisfied the employer satisfied the employee.

The Gardner's home can be compared, to a very slight extent to the AVCO plant. There is no similarity in the exteriors of the two; the colonial design of the Gardner's house is a far cry from the contemporary features of the AVCO building. Inside the Gardner residence, however, are built-in appliances and an intricate radiant heating system that one would expect from an engineer working for AVCO.

When his house is finally completed, Ray will have done most of the work himself. It's remarkable and perhaps amusing that his only source of experience came years ago when he built chicken coops for his family.

Right now he's getting enough experience to satisfy him for a life-time. When he first started to build in the spring of last year, his eagerness and excitement kept him up to all hours of the night. Now he works slower, like a racer conserving his energy half-way through a race.

Ray, and his wife and two small boys will probably be completely settled by this fall. If they are, they will have the satisfaction of beating their employers in the race to Wilmington - even though the race was not pre-arranged.

sewerage question.

If Wilmington is to get sewerage, and connection with the Metropolitan District Sewerage this is the year to do it, as far as our Town Meeting goes.

This year we can vote sewerage at a cost of perhaps \$1 on our tax rate.

Next year, and succeeding years, will be much more expensive, if the plans of certain legislators go into effect. They would have new towns and cities joining the MDC pay most of the costs directly. It could mean a cost of Millions of Dollars to Wilmington, and there is a very good chance that the plans of these legislators will mature into fruition.

If ever we are to be joined to the MDC this is the year.

TM Courtney has pointed out that one good industry could pay the cost of the sewerage, on the rate established for today. Mr. Courtney cannot point out how many industries would be needed to pay for such sewerage if we procrastinate.

Nor can anyone else.

#### WINTER RECREATION PROGRAM ENDS 16TH

As the town meeting will be held in the high school gym on Saturday, March 9th, it necessitates the cancellation of all recreational activities scheduled for that day. Parents in particular should be reminded of this change which will postpone their boy's basketball league until the following Saturday afternoon, Mar 16th. The evening program which is conducted for young men 16 years of age and over will also be cancelled. This then means that all programs scheduled for the winter months will end on Mar 16th whether it be Ladies night, Men's night, or Saturday programs for basketball. The Recreation Commission would like to publicly thank the School Committee for their cooperation in making this program possible for our boys as well as for the ladies and men of the town.

#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON



#### PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing March 19, 1957 at 8:30 pm in the Town Hall on a subdivision of a plan of land known as Suncrest Acres, Town of Wilmington.

J. R. Evans, Secy.  
Planning Board  
M7, 14.

#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday, March 14, 1957 at 8 pm on the request of Winifred T. McMahon for a variance in the zoning laws to allow for the erection of a house on a non-conforming lot on Middlesex Avenue.

Walter L. Hale, Jr., Secy  
Board of Appeals

#### BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

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Walter L. Hale, Jr., Secy  
Board of Appeals

#### PARKER'S RESTAURANT OPENS

Bill and Virginia DeCoste officially opened Parker's Restaurant, today, after working for several months renovating and installing new equipment. They have taken over what used to be the Ritz Restaurant, on 520 Main St, opposite Gil-dart's Garage.

Virginia's mother and father are the owners of the well-known Parker's Restaurant in Reading. The DeCoste's are thus continuing in the family tradition, and every indication so far points to a future they can well be proud of. The kitchen equipment is all brand new, and the interior is pleasantly decorated with nautical curios and sea shells to suit their big specialty - sea food.

They will also be offering a businessman's luncheon, steaks, take-out orders - anything, in short, to please a hungry customer.



#### THE FIRST VOTER AGAIN

WEARING A SMILE (?) OF VICTORY, OFFICER CHARLES ELLS WORTH OF THE WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCEPTS THE FIRST BALLOT FOR THE TOWN ELECTION FROM MODERATOR SIMON CUTTER. ELLSWORTH HAS CAST THE FIRST BALLOT IN EVERY ELECTION FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS.

#### BAPTIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GOSPEL TEAM

The BYF of the First Baptist Church will go out for the first time as a Gospel Team this coming Sunday. They will conduct a service at the Green Street Baptist Church, Melrose. This is an event which all of the young people have been looking forward to for the past few months, for it is in this capacity that they feel the Lord can really use them as witnesses.

The BYF, along with the church itself, started off brand new last Fall. It had a nucleus of several inspired young people and two fine Christian young men, recently graduated from high school, as co-youth leaders, - Fred Miller and Ralph Flodin. Under their capable leadership, the group has grown spiritually and numerically and now some twenty-five high schoolers work together as a team. Since last fall, many of these young people were introduced to the group and through its ministry, came to accept Christ as their own Saviour.

The young people have a lot of opportunities for help in their spiritual growth including a Bible-centered ministry Sunday mornings and evenings,

an excellent Sunday School program, Tuesday nights 'Hour of Power', attendance at the Friday afternoon 'New Life Bible Club,' and many special inspirational programs. In addition to this, twelve of the high schoolers are enrolled in a Bible Memory Course for which they must memorize twelve verses a week for twelve weeks. At the completion, they will be rewarded with a free week of camp at the Bible Memory Association's beautiful 'Miracle Camp' at Amsterdam, New York. The Bible memory work really sharpens up the young people in their task of witnessing for Christ.

#### CONCRETE ROOFS

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less weight would be required for the roof - weight which when used before cost extra money.

To get less weight the rooms were designed in cubicles of four, with individual roofs over each cubicle. This feature will eliminate a lot of structural steel. Structural steel will be used only in the auditorium, which is planned to be smaller than that of the Wildwood School.

The floors of the classrooms are to be of metal splined wood, laid over concrete. In the corridors there will be

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either terrazzo or quarry tile. Asphalt tile for the corridors was not favored by the committee, although not eliminated from consideration, depending on final bids. Quarry tile was favored because of ease of maintenance, as shown in a school recently constructed in Medway, the committee said.

Costs, as discussed during the hearing, were still in the unknown stage. Judging from the costs of the new elementary school being constructed in Tewksbury, the cost of the new school could be \$893,366, Erwin Hanke of the committee stated. He added that it was also possible that the costs would be under \$800,000, and that no one would really know until the bids had been received. Hanke stated that he believed the committee was safely on the high side, because they did not want to have to go back to the town for another Town Meeting and ask for more money. Being on the high side did not mean that the committee was prepared to spend all the money it was asking for.

If the committee were to find itself in a position where it had to go back to the town for additional money, a year would be lost, a year that the town could not afford to lose because of the classroom situation, Hanke told his listeners. In this year, he felt, there was certain to be an additional increase in prices, which of course was an added factor in the calculations of the committee.

Many questions were asked from the floor during the discussion, most of which were answered by Hanke, but some by Superintendent of Schools John Collins, and some by Al Epstein of the committee. Mr. Collins, on one occasion, took the opportunity to state that in his judgement the committee was doing an excellent job, and that it deserved to be backed by the town.



### KIDDER DEFEATS BLISS (cont. fr. Pg. 1)

zyk 485 votes, Harold E Smith 395 votes and Alden S. Eames 385 votes.

Ernest M. Crispo and John Hartnett were returned to the School Committee, defeating challenger Fred Melzar. Hartnett scored a total of 1489 votes, Crispo 1240 and Melzar 1128.

The only other race, that for the Wilmington Housing Authority saw Kenneth Neagle easily defeating Joseph Keenan, 1240 votes to 667.

Atty Simon Cutter, the present Moderator, who had no opposition, was given a resounding vote of 1827.

2158 votes were cast, out of a total of 4362 eligible voters.

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### HOUSING AUTHORITY (cont. fr. Pg. 1)

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Plan Two would eliminate only the Drug Store building, the Banks, Weinbergs, the Telephone Building, the Fire and Police Station, and includes not only Rotary Park, but that area which lies between Middlesex Avenue and the railroad as far as Adelaide Road.

The consultants were told that the Housing Authority wanted to include the land that lies between Main Street and the Nashua Branch of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as far as the Main Street crossing.

No decisions were made.

### WILMINGTON SKATERS (cont. fr. Pg. 1)

to be out in full force, as will be Barbara Maloney, the two Zaino brothers, Billy Stickney, Patty Fiske and Anita Hendricks.

The local skaters are in fine condition, but have not had too much practice during the past two weeks because of the poor condition of their local rink.

But they are expected to do

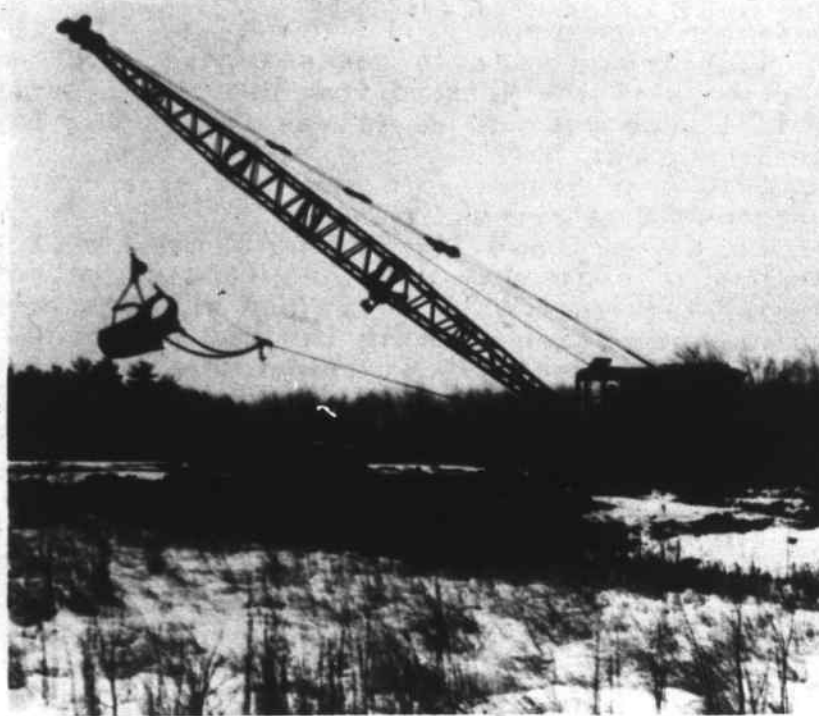
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well.

Patty Fiske is one of the skaters who is just about ready to win a championship, and others who can be expected to make an excellent showing include Jeff Williamson, Richard Frotton and Lenny Galvin.

Barbara Maloney and Nancy Weinberg, well known representatives of the pee wee class now have a third Wilmington

girl to accompany them - Phyllis De Costa of Ballardvale Street.

Top notch midgets are Patty Fiske and Eileen Bradley. Both will without doubt make an excellent showing, but will be up against some of the best New York skaters, who are expected to be present at both events.

The Worcester contest will be held in the Worcester Arena, and will start at 5 p.m. Saturday.

The North Shore event is to be in the Lynn Arena, and starts at 5 p.m. Sunday.

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### DAV MEETING

The DAV will have their regular meeting on Thursday, March 7, instead of Wednesday, from which it was postponed.

All members are urged to show up.

DAV Auxiliary is running a whist party Saturday, March 16 at DAV Hall at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by John A. Iverson and Jeanette F. Iverson, husband and wife, both of Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, to Mae F. Collins of said Wilmington, dated November 19, 1954, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, in Book 1276, Page 75, of which mortgage the undersigned is the mortgagee therein named and present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, the twelfth day of April, 1957 on the premises hereinafter described in said mortgage, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage to wit:

'A parcel of land with the dwelling house thereon situated on the northeasterly side of Shawsheen Avenue in said Wilmington and bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY on said Shawsheen Avenue;

NORTHWESTERLY on a private way marked Manning Street on the plan hereinafter referred to;

NORTHEASTERLY on Lot 9 on said plan, and

SOUTHEASTERLY on Lot 6 on said plan and being shown as Lot numbered 5 on a plan entitled 'Plan of the Silver Lake Property situated in Wilmington and Tewksbury belonging to Daniel Ayer' dated August 17, 1854, made by George W. Butterfield, Civil Engineer and recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 5, Plan 50.

Being the same premises conveyed to us by the grantee by deed of even date and to be herewith recorded.

Said premises are hereby conveyed subject to a first mortgage in the face amount of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars held by First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lowell.

Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes, outstanding tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, of any, and to the lien of said first mortgage. Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale when the other terms of sale will be made known.

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We will naturally be giving the Department all the detailed facts, statistics, and evidence needed to judge our request. But because this evidence is extensive and complicated, we would like to give you the simple facts about our request and why an increase is so necessary now.

## OUR PRICES BASED ON '54 COSTS

Present-day prices for telephone service in Massachusetts are based on costs as they existed in 1954.

Since then, the cost of almost everything we use has increased substantially for us, just as it has for you. Prices of building materials, supplies, trucks, telephone equipment, and nearly every other item required in telephone construction and maintenance, are higher than ever.

## WAGES—OUR BIGGEST EXPENSE

Wages represent our biggest cost in the job of providing you with telephone service. Wages alone make up about two thirds of our operating expenses before taxes.

We have put into effect a great many operating economies and cut costs still further through technical improvements. We are continuing to do so, wherever and whenever we can. But these are not enough.

Our big problem comes from the fact that all of our expenses, including wages, are increasing more rapidly than our revenues.

## MEETING DEMAND COSTLY

To provide new service for those who want it, and to maintain and improve the quality of service to present users has required an average outlay for telephone construction of over \$1 million a week during the last five years.

This has required more and more equipment, buildings, and lines — all costing more than they did a few years ago.

While this new construction has permitted us to meet most service requests, we must do even more before all demands can be filled promptly.

## BETTER SERVICE

In your home or in your business, you need good telephone service. But more than that, it should be constantly improving. We believe you are aware of the progress we have made.

Today, 81 per cent of Massachusetts telephone users have fast, modern, local dial service.

This represents a great advance over four years ago when only 65 per cent of telephone users had dial service.

In addition, many customers may now dial direct to Massachusetts and New England points beyond their local calling areas, and even to New York and Philadelphia. More of this direct distance dialing is planned, and it will be only one of many improvements now scheduled for your telephone service.

## VITAL TO ECONOMIC PROGRESS

Our program of improvement and expansion has meant employment and wages for many groups of men and women. Millions of dollars have been spent in the last five years for new buildings and building additions in 165 different locations throughout the state. Much of this money went to masons, carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and other Massachusetts workers.

Materials and supplies have been bought from hundreds of Massachusetts merchants and manufacturers. For last year alone, these purchases amounted to over \$1½ millions weekly.

All of this was in addition to the effect of wages earned and spent right here in Massachusetts by 31,000 telephone men and women.

## THE ANSWER

Our problem results from the increased costs of providing service and service improvements. The many economies we have put into effect will not do the job.

*The plain truth is that the income we now receive from present rates will not continue to cover all of these costs and adequately maintain our credit.*

*The answer can be found only in the modest increase in rates we are now requesting.*





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WILMINGTON'S TROTTING HORSE PROFESSIONAL, HOWARD BRITT, MUST CIRCLE HIS BACK YARD TRACK 1,000 MORE TIMES, BEFORE MR LOMITE, THE HORSE IN FRONT OF HIM, WILL BE READY FOR RACING ACTION. MR BRITT TRAINS HIS HORSES ALL THROUGH THE WINTER, IN PREPARATION FOR THE SPRING RACES AT FOXBORO.

## DRIVER OVER THE YEARS

Anyone who passes the corner of Eames and Main Sts in the morning is probably familiar with the sight that is pictured above -- a man well along in years, usually smoking a cigar, and circling, lap after lap, behind the traces of a harness racer. The man is Howard Britt, and for the past 15 years he has made his living from racing, trotting and pacing horses.

Mr Britt first became interested in harness racing 30 years ago, when he took it up on the side. Since then, he has seen the changes that come to any sport over the years, and which came inevitably to harness racing.

He remembers when the two minute mile was only dreamed about, and when people would have scoffed at the idea of

someone eventually doing this distance in 1:55.

And he has seen another change, more subtle than the breaking of speed record. He has seen harness racing evolve from days when the overnight race was king, and the purse was taken from the people's pockets, to the days and nights of stake racing.

Today, harness racing is a business. In the majority of races, a horse must be previously staked from almost the day he was born, if he is to enter. Payments that increase from \$50 to often \$1,000 are paid at regular intervals until the horse is able to race at the age of two. To be able to do this requires more than confidence in your horse. It requires money.

Of course, if the horse wins or even places among the first

four or five, the stakes are so large that it's worth it. Any way you look at it, though it's a gamble, and the odds are usually pretty hard to foresee.

But Mr Britt carries on just as he always has during the past 30 years. With a stable of nine top-notch trotters and pacers, he can afford to gamble. And if he continues to be as successful as he has been, he need have no worries.

This spring, along with his son, Herb, who now shares much of the toil and glory of his father's profession, Mr Britt will set out for the races. Foxboro is a favorite stamping ground, but much of the summer will be spent touring Maine and part of New York. It should be a busy and profitable year, for both father and son, not to mention their horses.

## NEW AMBULANCE DRAWS FIRE AT SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Wilmington's new ambulance, less than one year old, was the subject of some severe criticism as the Selectmen's meeting on Feb 25th as Selectman Charles Black wanted to know who was responsible for a failure of the battery and or generator.

The ambulance, a few weeks ago suffered a power failure in its electrical system, as it was making an emergency run to the Choate Memorial Hospital in Woburn, and had to be escorted and pushed several times by an emergency truck from the Fred F Cain Co.

Mr. Black stated that it was his belief that the people in charge of the ambulance were responsible for it, and that



## SONG AND DANCE

TWO OF THE YOUNGEST BITS OF TALENT WHICH WILL BE SEEN AND HEARD IN THE ST. PATRICK'S VARIETY SHOW ARE JOANNE MIAS (LEFT) OF READING, AND DIANE FREDERICK OF BALLARD-VALE. THE DANCER AND SONGSTRESS, RESPECTIVELY, ARE AMONG THE MANY PERFORMING IN THE LARGE VARIETY SHOW, TO BE HELD AT VILLANOVA HALL, ON THE EVENING OF THE 17TH.

with a proper maintenance-schedule any impending electrical failure could have been averted.

## MILDRED ROGERS MOTHERS CLUB

The monthly meeting of the Mildred Rogers Mothers Club will be held at SLB Hall on Monday, Mar 11 at 8:30 pm. Due to the Lenten season the supper party planned for this meeting has been cancelled. Our guest speaker will be Mrs John Crowley, and her topic 'Girl Scouts and Brownies'.

## CAFETERIA MENUS

WEEK OF MARCH 11, 1957

All menus subject to change without notice.

MONDAY: Hamburger Patty, Buttered Noodles, Stewed Tomatoes, Bread and Butter, Fruit, Milk.

TUESDAY: Dagwoods, Potato Chips, Buttered Carrots and Peas, Chocolate Mounds, Milk. WEDNESDAY: Baked Macaroni and Cheese with Tomatoes, Cole Slaw, Italian Bread and Butter, Orange and Grapefruit Sections, Milk.

THURSDAY: Roast Pork and Gravy Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Peas, Dark Bread and Butter, Fruit Pudding, Milk.

FRIDAY: Oven Baked Fish Puffs, Scalloped Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans, Bread and Butter, Apples, Milk.



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Best Regards,

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I wish to publicly thank all my friends for the support which they gave me on my second try to serve you as one of the selectmen of this town.

I would like also to add that I feel my principles which I freely expressed and which were based on freedom and liberty as set forth by our forefathers-and no sign of dictatorship-were not much appreciated by the majority of the townspeople. Some of you didn't take the time and trouble to vote at all. And some of you are perfectly willing and happy to have a certain few lead you in whatever paths they choose.

You have a chance in Article 13A thru F in the Town Warrant to get back some of your voting privileges. Now of course if you'd rather sit at home and let a certain few do all the planning, you will lose that chance to get some of your rights. It is up to you.

All I can say in conclusion is that since certain things have, in my opinion, been far from right, I have tried to put myself in a position where by I might do my small part to rectify the wrongs and keep Wilmington the peaceful, free town it has been and could be again. And once again, to all those who helped me and supported me, my heartfelt thanks.  
Harold E. Smith

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:  
Will you kindly announce the forthcoming annual 'Girl Scout Cookie Sale' which will start March 8, 1957.

This sale is sponsored by Greater Lowell Girl Scout Council Inc. for the purpose of raising money for many reasons, but the individual troops benefit primarily to swell their treasuries, for

which funds are used to purchase flags, craft supplies and necessary equipment for hikes and camping, thereby creating busy hands and happy faces in our fast growing community.

Thanking you in advance,

Respectfully,

Mrs John J Crowley,  
District Chairman of  
Wilmington Girl Scouts.

## MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE ENDS SUCCESSFULLY

The Wilmington March of Dimes Committee successfully concluded their annual drive recently, giving a check for \$1888.97 to the Middlesex County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The committee, which was headed by Anthony Meads, wishes to thank Mrs Louise DeFelice and her captains; Mrs Marjorie Dupras, Mrs Maude Arsenault and all their helpers in the Mother's March; Tony Joannides, who turned over his shop to the Lions Club on Feb 3 for the March of Dimes; Mrs Myer Weinberg, chairman of the Coffee Hour parties, and submitted money to all who mailed in their contributions and who submitted money to the coin collection boxes in schools and businesses.

## NO AXE TO GRIND (cont. fr. Pg. 1)

haps significant in that Black has seldom been topped over the past 15 or 20 years as a bidder for town office.

Kidder stated in his releases and at association meetings, that if elected he would be the resident's personal representative on the Board and as such strive to do all in his power to seek a more moder-

ate path of development for the town. In this it is presumed that he means the town of course should progress but maybe not quite as rapidly or expensively as we are doing at the present time. Will he be able to do this? It is highly doubtful that we will observe any great change this year or next. With our present charter, the Board of Selectmen seem only to be a liaison force between the taxpayers and the Town Manager. With only the ability to suggest, not to act, Kidder or any member of the board can hear the feelings of the resident on a given subject and convey these feelings to the Town Manager and hope that some effect will be made. Kidder has stated just this-a willingness to perform this function.

One or two more items worth mentioning before we leave the subject of Don Kidder.

We overheard several people express concern over the fact that Kidder spent 'too much on his campaign'. Being interested we asked him how much he spent (inquisitive, aren't we?) He cooperated and here is the tally:

Cards	Letters
Bumper Stickers	
Telephone Pole Cards -	
waste paper - donated	
Printing on above	\$10.00
2000 envelopes (seconds) -	
	\$ 5.39
100 2¢ stamps - donated	
2325 2¢ stamps -	\$46.50
Newspaper adv. -	\$24.50
Sound truck - donated	
Total	\$86.39

Kidder has also removed all campaign posters from around town and says that he removed all previous political material from posts and trees on which he placed his signs.

With these thoughts in mind, let's give the man a chance to become familiar with his new obligation before we start tearing him apart.

Now that's off my mind ...

We notice a new bustle on the rear of Elia's Country Store, and as many times as we've talked to John or Mike, we still are not quite sure what the addition has in store for the Elia brothers' customers. We heard one old timer remark that the new addition isn't even 'on' straight. We've seen John use a slide

rule and we're sure there must be some reason for the addition to jut out toward the railroad track.

Has anyone else wondered what the 'primary' rooms in the Glen Road School plan will be used for? We've always thought primary classes and Kindergarten were one and the same.

Last year as we left the

town meeting we overheard two older gentlemen remark that Wilmington town meetings 'ain't what they used to be - no fireworks'. We'll be satisfied if William 'Agreeable' Smith shows up with his green tie and remarks, or Joe Courtney sees fit to not so gently place his microphone on the table.

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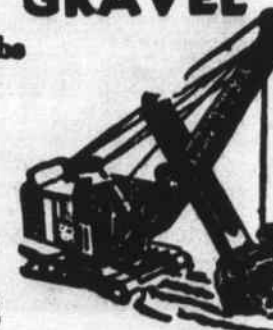
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BOYLE - BROWN

In a small family wedding in the Methodist Parsonage in Reading, Miss Elizabeth Boyle, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Boyle of Birchwood Rd, was married to Mr Albert Brown, son of Mr and Mrs Ruel Brown of 1198 Main Street Reading, on Saturday, Feb. 23rd, at 4 pm.

Doctor William Gunter, minister of the Old South Methodist Church in Reading, performed the ceremony.

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride wore a beige wool suit, with a white rose corsage and white hat. Her maid of honor was her sister, Miss Martha Boyle, who wore a grey suit, with pink accessories.

Mr Brown's best man was

Ernest Boyd, of Franklin St., Reading.

The reception was held at the home of the Boyle's on Birchwood Road and was attended by close friends and members of the couples' families. The bride's sister, Miss Marilyn Boyle, was in charge of the guest book.

The bride was graduated from Wilmington High School in the class of 1954. She attended Chandler School for Women in Boston for one year, and now works for Loyal Protective Life Insurance Co. in Easton.

Mr Brown is a graduate of Reading High School. He served for four years in the Air Force as a medic, and now is a mechanic for Truck Body & Equipment Co. in Arlington.

The couple, who were engaged last December, spent their honeymoon in upper state New York. They returned on Wednesday, Feb. 27th, and are now living on Oakdale Road.

## BIRTH

SMITH, Mark Lester, born Feb. 12th at the Winchester Hospital to Mr and Mrs Lester Smith, Jr., Faulkner Avenue. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Fred C Brown of Woburn and Mr and Mrs Lester Smith Sr. of Wilmington.

### ST THOMAS' MINSTREL

Saint Thomas opened its second Annual Minstrel Show on Sunday, March 3 under the direction of Al Mitchell and his group. There was a large turnout of enthusiastic talent. The committee is as follows: Honorary Chairman, Reverend John J Regan; General Chairman, John F Kenney; Ad Book, Chairman, Marie Deegan, Amanda

Brabant, Lorraine Brennick, Peter Enos, Edward Gallagher, Thomas Grinley, Ruth Howell, Louis Kleynen, Jr, Joseph J Peters, Alexander Quandt, Mary Quandt, John Ritchie, George Spinney, Harold White, John Winters; Tickets, Joseph J Peters; Patrons and Patronesses, Brenda Corcoran, Carmel Gillis, Dolly Hand; Treasurer, George Spinney; Interlocutor, Frank J Hagerty.



### SUNDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICE AT METHODIST CHURCH

The Rev Newell S Booth, Jr, pastor of the Arlington Heights Methodist Church will bring the message at the Lenten Sunday Evening Service at the Methodist Church, Sunday, March 10 at 7 pm. Mr Booth will preach on the topic "Who Do You Say That I Am?" This is the second in a series of Lenten Services dealing with the theme: "Christ and Life's Great Issues." A fine group were in attendance at the first service last Sunday night.

The Rev Booth was born in Boston and at the age of two went to the Belgian Congo with his parents who are Methodist Missionaries. His father, New-

ell S Booth, Sr, is now one of the Methodist Bishops in Africa. Mr Booth remained in Africa for ten years-then returned to the United States to further his education. He is a graduate of Boston University College of Liberal Arts, Boston University School of Theology, and he received his doctorate degree from Boston University Graduate School in June of 1956.

There will be a period for singing the great hymns of the church and the devotional period will be conducted by members of the Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship. Families and friends of the church are invited to attend this special Lenten service.

### ST DOROTHY'S NEWS

The dates for the engaged couple conferences are posted at St Mary's Church.

Lent begins on Wednesday of this week. Daily Mass will be held at 7 o'clock, for the present. On each Wednesday evening at 7:30 there will be Holy Mass, with sermon and Miraculous Medal Novena. Ashes will be distributed after the morning and evening Masses, and also in the afternoon at 4 o'clock at St Mary's, and 5 o'clock at St Dorothy's Hall.

Special First Communion classes start this week. The children will meet at St Marys and St Dorothy's Hall, depending on which is more convenient, on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:30, with dismissal at 4:30.

Mrs George Farrell and her committee will conduct another whist party next Friday evening at St Dorothy's Hall.

The Girl Scouts and the Holy Name Society will receive com-

munion next Sunday. The 8:30 Mass has been set aside for the Girl Scouts. They are asked to come in uniform, if possible.

### BOUTWELL STREET SITE MAY BE REJECTED FOR SCHOOLS

The possibility that a school may some day in the future be erected on town owned land off Boutwell Street is, to all intents and purposes no longer a possibility.

Patrick Thibau, Agent for the Board of Health has advised the Additional School Accommodations Committee that his tests of the area indicate that it is not practicable to build a school there.

Thibau reported that the terrain was not suitable. A 20 foot difference in elevation, a brook bisecting the site, and heavy clay, which would make drainage difficult were cited by Thibau. Too much fill would be needed, he thought to make the site practicable.

In addition Thibau pointed out that there are many large boulders on the site, in the upper portion, and he is of the belief that there is extensive ledge.

### FORMER SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS BURIED IN IPSWICH

Roscoe G. Frane, Superintendent of Schools in Wilmington at the end of World War I was buried, in Ipswich, on February 27th, two days after his death in that town.

Superintendent of the Wilmington Public Schools from 1917 to 1921, he was later the head of the Chelmsford Schools, and also was employed in a supervisory capacity in the Boston Public Schools.

Mr Frane was 72 years old.



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